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The mission of the Maryland Commission on African American History and Culture (MCAAHC) is to interpret, document, preserve, and promote Maryland's African American heritage; to provide technical assistance to institutions and groups with similar objectives; and to educate Maryland's citizens and visitors about the significance of the African American experience in Maryland and the nation. The MCAAHC is a unit of the Governor's Office of Community Initiatives and serves as the statewide clearinghouse for preserving evidence of and documenting the African American experience in Maryland.

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**AFRICAN-AMERICAN HERITAGE PRESERVATION
PROGRAM GRANT WORKSHOPS SCHEDULED**

Grant program funds African-American historic and cultural capital projects

The Maryland Commission on African American History and Culture (MCAAHC) and the Maryland Historical Trust (MHT) are pleased to announce workshops regarding grants available through the African American Heritage Preservation Program (AAHPP) for FY2014. Five workshops are being offered across the state:

Wednesday, March 7, 2012 from 2 pm – 4 pm

Dorchester County

Sojourner-Douglass College—Cambridge Campus
824 Fairmount Avenue
Cambridge, MD 21613

Saturday, March 10, 2012 from 11am – 1pm

Prince George's County

Fairmount Heights Library
5904 Kolb Street
Fairmount Heights, MD 20743

Monday, March 12, 2012 from 2 pm – 4 pm

Washington County

St. Mark's Episcopal Church – Fellowship Hall
18313 Lappans Road
Boonsboro, MD 21713

Monday, March 19, 2012 from 11am – 1pm

Baltimore City

Reginald F. Lewis Museum of Maryland African American History and Culture
830 E. Pratt Street
Baltimore, MD 21202

Wednesday, March 21, 2012 from 2 pm – 4 pm

Calvert County

Prince Frederick Library
850 Costley Way
Prince Frederick, MD 20678

Attendees should register online at http://mht.maryland.gov/grants_africanamerican.html or by contacting Kathy Monday at MHT at 410.514.7627 or kmonday@mdp.state.md.us.

The goal of the AAHPP is to identify and preserve buildings, communities and sites of historical and cultural importance to the African American experience in Maryland. This competitive program, offered once per year, is supported through an annual appropriation from the Maryland General Assembly, and is administered as a joint partnership of the Maryland Commission on African American History and Culture (MCAAHC) and the Maryland Historical Trust (MHT). Grant awards range from a minimum of \$10,000 to a maximum of \$100,000. Eligible applicants include non-profit organizations and local jurisdictions. Business entities and individuals may also apply for Program grants when seeking funds for a preservation or development project that serves a high public purpose. Eligible projects include acquisition, construction, capital improvement, and certain predevelopment costs for African American heritage properties.

Program guidelines and grant applications may be obtained from MHT's website at http://mht.maryland.gov/grants_africanamerican.html or by contacting Kathy Monday at MHT at 410.514.7627 or kmonday@mdp.state.md.us. Completed grant applications must be postmarked by July 15, 2012. For assistance in the development of project scope and purpose, contact Dr. Joni Jones, MCAAHC Director, at (410) 216-6190 or jjones@goci.state.md.us. For assistance with capital project and technical preservation issues, contact Anne Raines, MHT Capital Grants and Loans Administrator, at (410) 514-7634 or araines@mdp.state.md.us.

The Maryland Historical Trust (MHT) is a state agency dedicated to preserving and interpreting the legacy of Maryland's past. Through research, conservation and education, the Trust assists the people of Maryland in understanding their historical and cultural heritage. The Trust is an agency of the Maryland Department of Planning and serves as Maryland's State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) pursuant to the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966.